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ATTENTION: ASSIGNMENT EDITORS

COUNTY HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS ON POLICING AND HUMAN RELATIONS

WHAT:

This is the third hearing that the Los Angeles County Commission on Human Relations will be holding as part of a countywide Policing and Human Relations Project. Public hearings were announced in recognition of the 50th Anniversary of the 1965 Watts Rebellion and the strained relations between law enforcement and local communities that precipitated these events. The Commission wants to hear from the community about their personal experiences with law enforcement officers and agencies, and about their suggestions for increasing fairness and equity in policing, and for building and/or maintaining positive relations between police and communities.

Following this hearing, there will be two more hearings planned to take place in the remaining Supervisorial Districts of L.A. County, in January and February. A final hearing is planned in order to hear from law enforcement representatives and subject matter experts. In addition to the hearings, the Commission is obtaining information about best practices and recommendations for fair policing from many sources. The results of these hearings and additional information will be combined in a report that can be used by community partners to strengthen local public safety systems.

WHO: Community members are invited to attend and participate in this important event.

WHEN: December 3, 2016, Saturday - 10 am to 1 pm

WHERE: Jordan High School Auditorium

6500 Atlantic Avenue Long Beach, California

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